

General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5315

LCO No. 1263

Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING MERCURY EMISSIONS FROM POWER PLANTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2002*) (a) Not later than January
- 2 1, 2007, the Bridgeport power plant units that combust coal as a fuel
- 3 shall reduce their mercury emissions by at least ninety per cent from
- 4 year 2000 baseline levels.
- 5 (b) Not later than July 1, 2004, the Department of Environmental
- 6 Protection shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of
- 7 chapter 54 of the general statutes, to ensure that: (1) The mercury
- 8 emission reductions set forth in subsection (a) of this section are
- 9 achieved on schedule; and (2) any captured or recovered mercury is
- 10 not re-released into the environment.
- 11 (c) The Department of Environmental Protection shall have the
- authority to require units that combust coal as a fuel to conduct testing
- 13 to determine the mercury and chlorine content of the coal combusted
- 14 by such source and to determine the amount of mercury emissions
- 15 from such source.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
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Statement of Purpose:

To reduce mercury emissions from power plants.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]